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December 19, 2006

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**APPROVAL OF SOLE SOURCE AGREEMENT WITH
CHARLES R. DREW UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND SCIENCE
FOR ELDER ABUSE SCREENING AND INTERVENTION
COMMUNITY OUTREACH SERVICES
(All Districts) (3 Votes)**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Approve and instruct the Director of Health Services, or his designee, to execute a sole source Agreement, substantially similar to Exhibit I, with Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science for the provision of elder abuse screening and intervention community outreach services for Martin Luther King, Jr./Drew Medical Center, following review and approval by County Counsel, effective the date of Board approval through June 30, 2007, for a total maximum obligation of \$229,522.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:

In approving this action, the Board is authorizing the Director of Health Services, or his designee, to sign a sole source agreement with Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science (Drew University) for the provision of elder abuse screening and intervention community outreach services for Martin Luther King, Jr./Drew Medical Center (KDMC), effective the date of Board approval through June 30, 2007.

Approval of the sole source agreement will allow the provision of specialized elder abuse services with the implementation of the Elder Abuse Screening and Intervention Community Outreach (EASICO) project which will provide adult protective services by incorporating a culturally appropriate, multi-disciplinary, hospital based elder/dependent adult abuse assessment intervention and treatment program at KDMC.

The program requires specialized services that Drew University is able to provide, such as community outreach, media campaigns to increase the awareness of elder abuse, education, training, transportation and the building of university-community partnerships which are designed to bridge the service gaps that exist between researchers and professionals in the field of aging. Drew University is the best positioned to provide these services given their previous experience with this program from 2000 through 2005.

Board approval of the recommended action will allow the Department of Health Services (DHS or Department) to provide these specialized services to elders and dependent adults who are the residents of South and Southwest Los Angeles County.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

The total maximum obligation for the sole source agreement with Drew University for the period, effective the date of Board approval through June 30, 2007, is \$229,522. The program is offset 100% by the Adult Protective Services/Elder Abuse Program (APS/EAP) funding allocated from the Los Angeles County Department of Community and Senior Services (CSS). Funding for this agreement is included in KDMC's Fiscal Year (FY) 2006-07 Final Budget.

Payment under this agreement will be based on a fee-for-service billing structure.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:

The increasing aging of the population has led to the most significant demographic shift in history. From 1999 to 2050, the world population aged 65 and above is expected to triple. Older adults from ethnic and minority communities are often at risk of being targets for a wide range of abuse and these minority groups are often under-represented recognizing and reporting abuse, exploitation and neglect.

To address this need, the EASICO project was implemented to prevent abuse, neglect and the exploitation of elders and dependent adults by raising the public and professional awareness of the prevalence and various forms of elder abuse within the targeted communities of South and Southwest Los Angeles.

The program is designed to provide training, education and outreach services by the clinical and academic faculty at Drew University, Division of Geriatrics, which serves as primary care providers to many frail, urban minority elders of multiple ethnic, cultural and social backgrounds. Additionally, the program is structured to develop university-community partnerships that bridge the communication and service gaps that exist between researchers, professionals and para-professionals in the field of aging, thereby reducing the risk of elder abuse among multi-ethnic and multi-cultural seniors.

Historically, on April 20, 1999, the Board approved a four-year plan funded and submitted by CSS to establish a hospital based multi-disciplinary elder/dependent adult medical assessment program at KDMC.

On November 14, 2000, the Board approved a sole source Agreement with Drew University for the provision of specialized consultant and transportation services to APS/EAP clients residing in the Southwest areas of Los Angeles. The term of the sole source agreement was November 14, 2000 through June 30, 2003.

On June 17, 2003 and October 21, 2003, the Board adopted Amendment Nos. 1 and 2 which extended the contract term through June 30, 2004 and also authorized the provision of taxi voucher services to the existing transportation service program.

On June 29, 2004, the Board adopted Amendment No. 3 which extended the contract term through June 30, 2005.

The contract term of the agreement and the provision of services were not continued beyond June 30, 2005.

Approval of the recommended sole source agreement, effective the date of Board approval through June 30, 2007, will reinstate the provision of specialized elder abuse screening and community outreach intervention services that Drew University to the seniors 65 years of age and older, and dependent adults to target communities in the South and Southwest areas of Los Angeles County.

The agreement includes the latest Board mandated language.

The County may terminate the agreement upon a 30-day advance written notice to Contractor, and Contractor may terminate the agreement upon a 60-day advance written notice to the County.

Attachment A provides additional information.

County Counsel has approved the sole source agreement (Exhibit I) as to use and form.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

The recommended sole source agreement with Drew University is necessary to implement the provision of services that requires specialized services that Drew University is able to provide, such as community outreach, media campaigns to increase the awareness of elder abuse, education, training, transportation and the building of university-community partnerships.

An open competitive solicitation process was not conducted because the provision of these services required an experienced facility currently involved with elder abuse screening and intervention services to the South and Southwest communities of Los Angeles. Since the geriatrics program at Drew University serves as the primary care provider to many frail, urban minority elders of multiple ethnic, cultural and social backgrounds who primarily reside in South Los Angeles, this facility was the best positioned to provide these services given their previous experience with this program from 2000 through 2005. Therefore, the Department recommends approval of this sole source agreement with Drew University.

The Department has determined that these services do fall under the Proposition A guidelines, however, the agreement and the provision of these services are temporary and the program requires specialized services that the County is unable to provide.

If a determination is made to conduct an open competitive solicitation, the solicitation will be advertised on the Los Angeles County Online website.

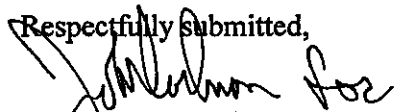
IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS):

Approval of the sole source agreement will allow the reinstatement of the provision of elder abuse screening and intervention services to the South and Southwest communities of Los Angeles.

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When approved, this Department requires three signed copies of the Board's action.

Respectfully submitted,



Bruce A. Chernof, M.D.
Director and Chief Medical Officer

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Attachments (2)

c: Chief Administrative Officer
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors

SUMMARY OF AGREEMENT1. TYPE OF SERVICE:

Specialized services for the Adult Protective Services/Elder Abuse Screening and Intervention Program for abused, neglected and exploited elders who reside within the south and southwest areas of Los Angeles County.

2. AGENCY NAME AND CONTACT PERSON:

Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science
1731 East 120th Street
Los Angeles, California 90059
Attention: Ron Lau, Vice President/Chief Financial Officer
Telephone: (323) 563-5820
Fax: (323) 563-1953

3. TERM:

The term of this sole source agreement is effective on the date of Board approval through June 30, 2007.

4. FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

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5. GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:

South and Southwest Los Angeles.

6. ACCOUNTABLE FOR MONITORING AND EVALUATION:

Antionette Smith Epps, Chief Executive Officer, Martin Luther King, Jr./Drew Medical Center

7. APPROVALS:

Martin Luther King, Jr./Drew Medical Center: Antionette Smith Epps, CEO

Contract Administration: Cara O'Neill, Division Chief

County Counsel (approval as to form): Sharon A. Reichman, Principal Deputy County Counsel

FACT SHEET

RE: APPROVAL OF SOLE SOURCE AGREEMENT WITH CHARLES R. DREW UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND SCIENCE FOR ELDER ABUSE SCREENING AND INTERVENTION COMMUNITY OUTREACH SERVICES

2nd District

CONTACT PERSONS:

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SUBJECT:

Approve a sole source agreement with Charles R. Drew University (Drew University) for elder abuse screening and intervention community outreach services for Martin Luther King, Jr./Drew Medical Center. (KDMC).

REQUESTED ACTION:

Approval to execute a sole source agreement with Drew University for the provision of elder abuse screening and intervention community outreach services for KDMC, effective the date of Board approval through June 30, 2007, for a total maximum obligation of \$229,522.

PROGRAM:

Approval of the sole source agreement will allow the provision of specialized elder abuse services with the implementation of the Elder Abuse Screening and Intervention Community Outreach (EASICO) project which will provide adult protective services by incorporating a culturally appropriate, multi-disciplinary, hospital based elder/dependent adult abuse assessment, intervention and treatment program at KDMC.

The program requires specialized services that Drew University is able to provide, such as community outreach, media campaigns to increase the awareness of elder abuse, education, training, transportation and increasing the number of university-community partnerships which are designed to bridge the service gaps that exist between researchers and professionals in the field of aging. Drew University is the best positioned to provide these services given their previous experience with this program from 2000 through 2005.

Additionally, the program is structured to develop university-community partnerships that bridge the communication and service gaps that exist between researchers, professionals and para-professionals in the field of aging, thereby reducing the risk of elder abuse among multi-ethnic and multi-cultural seniors.

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FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

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FACT SHEET (Cont'd)

Payment under this agreement has a fee-for-service billing structure.

TERMINATION PROVISION:

The County may terminate the Agreement upon a 30-day advance written notice to Contractor, and Contractor may terminate the Agreement upon a 60-day advance written notice to the County.

TERM OF AGREEMENT:

Date of Board approval through June 30, 2007.

AUTOMATIC RENEWAL:

No.

FIRST BOARD APPROVED AGREEMENT:

November 14, 2000.

AGREEMENT EXPIRATION:

June 30, 2007.

RETROACTIVE AGREEMENT:

No.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) PROCESS:

An open competitive solicitation process was not conducted because the provision of these services required an experienced facility currently involved with elder abuse screening and intervention services to the South and Southwest communities of Los Angeles. Since the geriatrics program at Drew University serves as the primary care providers to many frail, urban minority elders of multiple ethnic, cultural and social backgrounds who primarily reside in South Los Angeles, this facility was the best positioned to provide these services given their previous experience with this program from 2000 through 2005. Therefore, the Department recommends approval of this sole source agreement with Drew University.

The Department has determined that these services do fall under the Proposition A guidelines, however the provision of these services are temporary.

If a determination is made to conduct an open competitive solicitation, the solicitation will be advertised on the Los Angeles County Online website.

SOLE SOURCE JUSTIFICATION:

The recommended sole source agreement with Drew University is necessary to implement the provision of services that requires specialized services that Drew University is able to provide, such as community outreach, media campaigns to increase the awareness of elder abuse, education, training, transportation and the building of university-community partnerships.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY ONLINE WEB SITE:

Not applicable.

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